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## New Brockton Mayor Charles Cole says he will not seek re-election

by Linda Hodge, Editor

During the New Brockton Town Council meeting held Monday evening, May 5, Mayor Charles Cole answered questions about his intentions to seek re-election as mayor later this year.

Mayor Cole said he is asked almost daily if he is going to run for mayor again. He said his response is "no."

"I've done it long enough," he said. "I have no intention to run (for office)."

Cole said he will continue to work with the city by serving on committees and such.

"Whoever seeks office, I pray and hope they have the best interest of the town in mind," said New Brockton Mayor Charles Cole. "We've got to be concerned about the town, and we need people (in office) who want to see the town move forward."

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indicating the water board is responsible for the grant.

If the grant is approved, Mayor Cole said the funds will be used to upgrade the town's sewage system. Council member Jeff White said an upgrade to the town's waste water treatment plant is needed.

Council members also approved a resolution during the meeting in support of a Legislative bill allowing a referendum of the wet/dry issue.

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Mayor Cole announced several upcoming events for the town. These included:

\* The New Brockton Spring Dance will be held Saturday, May 10, 17 and 24 from 7 to 11 p.m. at the New Brockton Town Hall (706 E. McKinnon Street). The dance will feature the sounds of "Southern Express" with Shawn Stuckey. This is sponsored by the Downtown Revitalization Committee, and no alcohol or smoking is allowed. There is a small admission fee for those age 5 or older.

\* A memorial service for former police chief Alex Hurst (killed in 1950) will be Friday, May 16, at 2 p.m. at the New Brockton cemetery. Current Police Chief Dale Grimes said Alabama Attorney General Troy King will be among the event's speakers.

\* New Brockton Town Hall officers will be closed Monday, May 26, in observance of Memorial Day.

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Coffee County began a first-time project this week when workers started placing raised pavement markers (orange reflectors) on designated roads. According to county engineer Randy Tindell, the county's budget allowed for just over 52 miles of county roads to receive the reflectors this year. The county also will use new equipment purchased jointly with Houston and Dale counties to place centerline striping on 173.81 miles of county roads this year. The placement of reflectors began on Monday of this week. District Three commissioner Robert Stephens (shown above watching) was on-site Tuesday morning, May 6, to get a first-hand look at the placement of reflectors on County Road 452 (near the Perry's Store Community). Stephens said he is proud to see the county able to make improvements to things it did not have years ago. Until the purchase of this new equipment, Coffee County was not able to afford to place the reflectors on roads due to high costs. Stephens said he is excited about this project because it will increase safety for motorists in Coffee County.

## Coffee County begins safety enhancement project for roads

by Linda Hodge, Editor

During a recent Coffee County Commission meeting, county engineer Randy Tindell received the go-ahead from commissioners to begin a road project new to Coffee County, and that work began this week.

With Dale and Houston, counties to purchase road striping equipment along with the equipment to place raised pavement markers (orange reflectors) in the center of roads. This week, crews were able to begin placing the raised pavement markers on designated roads within the county.

Tindell said commissioners, budgeted for just over 52 miles of Coffee County's roads to receive the reflectors this year. He said it costs so much to have the raised pavement markers that Coffee County has not been able to have them in the past.

Elba Mayor James Grimes plans to seek re-election to city office

Elba Mayor James Grimes said Tuesday morning of this week that he will definitely be a candidate for re-election in this summer's municipal elections.

"I thank the citizens of Elba for allowing me to serve three terms as their mayor," said Grimes. "Hopefully they will allow me to serve another term. The citizens and the community as a whole have been through some rough and trying times in recent years but by working together we continue to make Elba a better place to live."

The mayor continued, "I would like to complete the ongoing projects the city is involved in including the long range plan to clean up and beautify our city. I also want to continue the improvements to the pumping system and storm water storage basins that con-

trol the rain runoff inside our levee."

He noted there are now some positive signs of growth in the community. The manufacturing jobs have increased in the last few years and promise to continue that steady expansion.

The mayor also pointed out that some additional retail stores are beginning to open up locally, in spite of the national slow-down in the economy. He expressed his opinion that this steady growth is better for the long time good of the community than fast but unsteady up and down employment.

Elba municipal elections will be held on August 26th with any required run-off on October 7th. Qualifying for mayor and all five council districts begins on July 1st and ends on July 15th (at 5 p.m.) this year.

The new terms of office will begin on November 3rd and officials will serve for four years.

Again, he stressed the importance of joining forces with Houston and Dale counties indicating the centerline striping would cost at least three times more if the county hired an outside company to do the work.

With this project now underway, Commissioner Stephens said he has thought maybe the three counties (Coffee, Houston and Dale) will be able to get-together on more stuff in the future to continue to save their citizens money while improving safety and conditions.

When commissioners approved this major striping/reflector project in April, Tindell said Coffee County does have some of the best roads in the state, but the county is always looking for ways to improve safety for motorists through enhancements. He said the overall objective is to reduce accidents on county roads.

Tindell and Stephens both said they are excited about the project and hope the county is able to do more and more in the future.

Area Happenings

THERE WILL BE A MEETING FOR 8TH GRADE PAR-ENTS in the Elba High School auditorium on Monday, May 12, at 6 p.m. Mrs. Weeks, guidance counselor, will discuss class registrations for the upcoming school year. Parents and students are encouraged to attend.

8TH GRADE D.A.R.E. GRADUATION will be held Friday, May 16, at Elba Elementary School. The program will begin at 9 a.m. All parents and relatives of 6th grade students in the D.A.R.E. program are encouraged to attend.

MISS BRONZE 2008 will be held Saturday, May 17, at Elba High School auditorium. Applications can be received from any Greater Essence member.

THE AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD MOBILE will be in Elba on Thursday, May 22, from 1 p.m. until 6 p.m. It will be located at the Elba Elementary School.

THE ELBA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE officially welcomed the city's newest retail store to business last Thursday, May 1, with a ribbon cutting ceremony. The Body Connection by Shannon, located at the Shoppes at Taylor Crossing on the bypass in Elba, opened for business Saturday, April 5. Owned by Shannon Gibbs and Ryan Gibbs, the store specializes in the sale of women's and kid's footwear but has a variety of other items for sale including lingerie, perfume, candles, sunglasses, tote bags, picture frames, cards and much more. The store also has tanning beds along with nail and pedicure services. In operating the business, Shannon is assisted by Anna Anderson, Lauren Sutley and Dixie Bouwell. The nail technician is Melissa Fillingim. Those present for last week's ribbon cutting ceremony included (left to right): Kaye Whitworth - executive director of the Elba Chamber of Commerce, Miss Elba Meagan Anderson, Melissa Fillingim, Little Miss Elba Brayton Martin, Martha Ann Parker, Abby Fuller, Shannon Gibbs - owner/operator, Lauren Sutley, Elba Mayor James Grimes, Ramona Grantham, Future Little Miss Elba Kate Hudson, Anna Anderson, Rene Lambert, Junior Miss Elba Molly McGuire, Doris Matthews, Eva Medlock and Herby McCall.

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## AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION COMMUNITY TRAINING CENTER

LBW Community College is an authorized provider of CPR and ECC courses for the American Heart Association and other medical continuing education courses. Below is a list of continuing education courses offered Summer 2008. All courses start at 8:00 a.m.

JUNE		JULY		AUGUST	
<b>FALS Provider Course</b> June 13 & 20, 2008 8:00 am - 5:00 pm Cost: \$100.00	<b>CPR/CPR Renewal</b> "Healthcare Provider" June 27, 2008 8:00 am - 12:00 pm Cost: \$25.00	<b>ACLS Provider Course</b> July 11 & 18, 2008 8:00 am - 5:00 pm Cost: \$100.00	<b>CPR/CPR Renewal</b> "Healthcare Provider" July 25, 2008 8:00 am - 12:00 pm Cost: \$25.00	<b>ECC Recognition Course</b> August 8, 2008 8:00 am - 12:00 pm Cost: \$35.00	<b>12 Lead ECG Course</b> August 15, 2008 8:00 am - 12:00 pm Cost: \$35.00

Textbooks are not included in the cost. Textbooks may be purchased from the LBWCC Bookstore or from one of the following:  
AHA Distribution Centers: Channing Bete Co. (1-800-611-6083), Lacerdal Medical Corp. (1-800-562-4242), or WorldPoint ECC, Inc. (1-888-322-8350)  
To register or for more information, contact Wayne Godwin, CTC Coordinator, at 334-881-2210 or [wgodwin@lbwcc.edu](mailto:wgodwin@lbwcc.edu)



## EDITORIAL

BRAINSTORMS  
With Ferrin Cox

When we hear people complaining that the American legal system is not fair, it hurts our feelings as Proud Americans. However they can usually cite examples of justice being applied differently by different judges in different locations. Case in point is the Ohio judge who is considering revoking the probation of a man for wrongdoings. What was his sin? Well he shared a Little Debbie snack cake with another inmate in his work release program. This second inmate was on restriction and not allowed in the snack area. Now the "giving" man is facing an additional nine month term in state prison. Shame shame.

It seems like only a few weeks ago that area communities were in the midst of municipal elections. Now folks are lining up for another run at office. A front page article this week carries Elba James Grimes' news that he will seek another term. Monday night at the New Brockton council meeting, Mayor Charles Cole announced he will not be seeking another term. "Twenty-four years of public office is enough," said Coach Cole who served on the New Brockton City Council before serving eight years as mayor.

Senator Jimmy Holley was correct when he explained that the grocery tax removal bill which passed the Alabama Senate was illegal. As many have said, it was "grandstanding" on the part of politicians. All revenue bills must start in the House, it says so in the Alabama Constitution. It seemed for a while that the grocery tax bill would become a reality this year, but it will not happen. Time is running out for this session and a lot needs to be done. The same for the bill to allow educators and other public officials to continue serving in the legislature. Even if that one passes, the governor will veto it after the legislature adjourns and it will still be dead. Look for both these issues to re-appear in the next regular session in 2009. Of course that is unless the gambling interests continue to prevent anything from passing because they are not getting their own pet projects approved.

There was quite a stir in the Wiregrass over the weekend as word of a proposed toll road/interstate connector from the beach, through Dothan to I-65 and I-85 in Montgomery was being hotly discussed. Amusingly some city officials in Northwest Florida expressed hostility because they were not in on the initial planning of this proposed project. However the leaders of this endeavor are private citizens and therefore can be more selective about exactly who they are meeting with about their ideas. Actually we are not all that hot on toll roads and have expressed that opinion in this column before. It would awful hard to convince us that private enterprise could build and operate the road cheaper than the government. However if some form of check and balance to control the actual toll charges is found, it can be a workable solution. There is good reason for such a connector road and thus if this is the only way, we graciously accept it. Yet unless we are in a big hurry, or have particular reasons for driving that route, we always avoid toll roads. That practice will continue with this road, regardless of the amount of the charges.

## Elba Police Report

The Elba Police Department, beginning Monday, April 28, 2008, investigated the following incidents: one for a domestic dispute, three for domestic violence, one for theft of property, one for a dog bite, one for a natural death, three for criminal mischief, one for a vehicle dispute, one for an attempted suicide and one for a prowler.

The following arrests were made: two for failure to appear. Traffic citations issued during the week were as follows: one for no insurance, six for speeding, one for violation of the noise ordinance, five for not wearing a seat belt, one for no driver's license, two for no proof of insurance, one for a suspended driver's license, one for running a red light and one for an expired tag.

Daily activity highlights were as follows:  
MONDAY, APRIL 28 - Coffee County EMS dispatched to the Coffee County Jail (11:34 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 16371 Hwy. 125 (4:17 p.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to a vehicle fire on Hwy. 87 near the baseball field (7:28 p.m.); Fight in progress reported at 213 Adkinson (10:16 p.m.).

TUESDAY, APRIL 29 - Coffee County EMS dispatched to a wreck at the intersection of County roads 210 and 215 (2:32 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to Hwy. 189 S (6:26 p.m.).

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 30

Coffee County EMS dispatched to 977 Hwy. 203 (2:50 p.m.); Fight reported in front of Coleman Funeral Home (5:23 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 2677 Hickman Ave. (10:03 p.m.).

THURSDAY, MAY 1 - Elba Fire Department dispatched to a woods fire on Hwy. 166 (1:12 p.m.).

FRIDAY, MAY 2 - Coffee County EMS dispatched to 1172 County Rd. 201 (1:46 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 1032 Martin Luther King Dr., Lot 3 (6:46 a.m.); Domestic disturbance reported at 106 Payne St. (5:29 p.m.); Disturbance (noise) reported on Caroline St. (6:46 p.m.).

SATURDAY, MAY 3 - Coffee County EMS dispatched to the Elba Work Release (12:58 p.m.); Disturbance (noise) reported at 718 Simmons St. (8:29 p.m.).

SUNDAY, MAY 4 - Disturbance (noise) reported on Jackson St. (4:42 p.m.); Disturbance (noise) reported on Jackson St. (7:00 p.m.); Disturbance (noise) reported near the cafe at Mulberry Heights (8:21 p.m.).

CALL CRIMESTOPPERS @ 897-3881 TO REPORT A CRIME REMAIN ANONYMOUS

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ADPH encourages teenagers  
to stop using tobacco products

The Alabama Department of Public Health is encouraging all teenagers, including pregnant teens, to call the Alabama Tobacco Quitline, 1-800-Quit-Now, for help in quitting tobacco products.

The department has launched a statewide campaign detailing the dangers of tobacco for teenagers, including pregnant teens. The department has produced a new Web page for teens on Myspace, <http://www.myspace.com/alquiltow>, as well as printed posters and pamphlets referring teens and pregnant teens to the Quitline for help.

The Quitline, 1-800-Quit-Now, provides free counseling to callers. Teens can receive a quit kit, which helps them develop their personalized quit plan. Teens who agree to counseling and complete the program will receive a gift card from a national retailer.

"The number of teens who smoke in Alabama has steadily been increasing, and this is alarming," said Dr. Donald Williamson, state health officer. State numbers decreased for a while, but they have been climbing.

In Alabama, nearly 27 percent of high school students smoke, according to the Campaign for Tobacco Free Kids' Web site. The national rate for teenage smokers is about 14

percent, according to the campaign's statistics.

In Alabama, more than 12,000 kids under 18 become new daily smokers each year, and 174,000 of them under 18 and alive today will ultimately die prematurely from smoking, according to the Campaign for Tobacco Free Kids' Web site.

Pregnant teenagers are smoking at higher rates also. In Alabama, more than 20 percent of white teen mothers and 3.4 percent of black teen mothers smoke, according to 2006 figures from the health department. In 2006, there were more than 1,124 pregnant teens in Alabama who said they smoked, according to health department statistics. Many pregnant teens will not report they smoke, so the actual number is higher than the figures show.

Smoking during pregnancy can cause a multitude of problems. There is a strong link between tobacco use during pregnancy and complications such as pre-term delivery, low birth weight, stillbirth, miscarriage, ectopic pregnancy and neonatal and perinatal mortality. The Quitline has been in operation since 2005. The Quitline is available to all Alabama residents from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Calls left on the weekend will be returned the next business day.

## Happy Mother's Day



## ATTEND A CHURCH OF YOUR CHOICE THIS SUNDAY

## BULLETIN BOARD

• **ABUSING CHEMICAL SUBSTANCES THROUGH CHRIST A.R.M.S.** addiction recovery ministry services - fbphcvh - 7 p.m. - Ino Baptist Church, Call 565-2970 or visit the website: [www.inobaptist.com](http://www.inobaptist.com)

• **ALCOHOL & DRUG RECOVERY SUPPORT GROUP** - every Thursday at 6 p.m. - Shiloh Baptist Church of Elba, Call 897-5037 for more info.

• **SOCIAL SECURITY REP.** Call FREE 1-800-772-1213 or visit the website at [www.ssa.gov](http://www.ssa.gov).

• **ROTARY CLUB** - Tuesday @ Noon-First First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall

• **ELBA CITY COUNCIL** - 2nd & 4th Monday - 5:30 p.m. - City Hall

• **WATER & ELECTRIC** - Tuesday following 2nd Monday - 6 p.m. - City Hall

• **ELBA MINISTERIAL ASSN.** - Tues. - 8 a.m. Elba United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall

• **GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP** - every Monday 6:30 p.m. - Elba United Methodist Church - enter on side on W. Davis St. - Maggie Garrett Classroom

• **COFFEE COUNTY COMMISSION** - 2nd & 4th Monday - Community Room in Farm Center Complex @ New Brockton

• **LIONS CLUB** - 2nd & 4th Tues. 6:30 p.m. - Senior Citizen Center

• **ELBA CITY SCHOOL BOARD** - 2nd Tues. - 5:30 p.m. - Super. Office

• **AMERICAN LEGION** - 1st Tuesday of every month - 7:00 p.m. Legion Hall, Troy Hwy.

• **MASONIC LODGE 170** - 1st & 3rd Monday of each month - 7 p.m. - 4-30 New Brockton @ Farm Center Complex 994-5858

• **COFFEE COUNTY COON HUNTERS ASSN.** - 3rd Sat. - 3 p.m. - Club House

• **COFFEE COUNTY REPUBLICAN WOMEN** - 3rd Wed. Noon - Po. Folks, Enterprise

• **ELBA AIRPORT AUTHORITY** - 1st Thurs. at 5 P.M., the FBO of, floor at the Airport

• **AARP** meets every 2nd Tuesday night of the month

• **ELBA ATHLETIC CLUB** - 2nd & 4th Monday - 7 p.m. - Elba High boys locker room

• **NEW SEASONS STUDY CLUB** - Every 3rd Tuesday at 7 p.m.

• **ELBA KIWANIS CLUB** - 2nd & 4th Monday - Noon - Elba Public Library

## STAMP OUT HUNGER FOOD DRIVE

The National Association of Letter Carriers, in conjunction with the United States Postal Service, will collect non-perishable food items Saturday, May 10, to help families in need in this community. Citizens can help by hanging a food donation in a plastic bag on the mailbox on May 10 before the letter carrier arrives. It will be taken to the Post Office and then delivered to the local Food Bank. For more details, visit [www.helpstampouthunger.com](http://www.helpstampouthunger.com).

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Mr. Ferrin,

Blessings abound from Baptist South. The last update I sent was that Neil would be going to Jackson Long Term Hospital. That changed and the plan is for Neil to go to Health South in Montgomery on Monday, May 5, 2008.

Neil is doing so very well. He is breathing on his own and has been for several days. He has no IV lines. The best guess is that Neil will be at Health South for about two months. Neil is very optimistic he can do this work quicker than that.

We cannot thank all of you enough for your love, support and prayers. Neil's life was saved by many miracles and these miracles were sustained by the excellent medical care at Baptist South. Each prayer was a vital part of these miracles and we so appreciate your sharing with Neil.

Neil and all of us are so blessed with such special families.

SHARE YOUR VIEWS - WRITE A LETTER TO THE EDITOR

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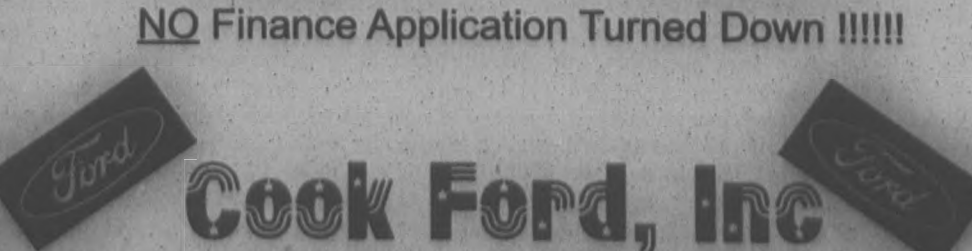
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## Obituaries

Death notices updated regularly on our website at <www.elba\_clipper.com>

## HAROLD RUDOLPH CROOK

Mr. Harold Rudolph Crook, age 80, of Elba, Ala., died Tuesday, April 29, 2008, at Medical Center Enterprise in Enterprise, Ala.

Survivors include his wife, Brenda Warren Fluellen; one daughter, Nicole Brooks (Keith); Enterprise; two sons: Jeffery Fluellen (Yameeka Jones), Enterprise; Lance Fluellen, Ft. Jackson, S.C.; his mother-in-law, Peggy Warren, Enterprise; two sisters: Wilola Fluellen and Pamela Fluellen, both of Enterprise; one brother, Norris Fluellen (Thelma); five sisters-in-law: Glenda Baldwin, Patricia Green, Mary Young, Margaret Diggs and Debbie Warren, three brothers-in-law: Sidney Green, Samuel Young and Larry Warren; and four grand-children: Melasia Jackson (Harley Wee Wack), Kalabria Fardshaw "Kala", Chakhoru Fluellen "Kory" and Jeffery Fluellen Jr. "Montel", all of Enterprise.

Survivors include his wife, Opal Sue Plant Crook, Elba; two daughters: Donna Waara, Milton, Fla.; Vickie Crook, Elba; one son: Rhett (wife Rose Mary) Crook, Cumming, Ga.; two brothers: Max Crook, Pensacola, Fla.; Charles Crook, Tampa, Fla.; and three grandsons: Christian Waara and Jeremy Waara, both of Milton, Fla.; and Alex Crook, Elba.

JEFFREY FUELLEN  
Mr. Jeffrey Fluellen, age 49, died Thursday, April 24, 2008.

Funeral services were held May 1, 2008 at Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church, Daleville, Ala., with Rev. Wiley Gibson officiating. Burial followed in the Shiloh Church Cemetery, Daleville, with Coleman Funeral Home, Enterprise, Ala., directing.

Mr. Fluellen was preceded in death by his parents, Gloria and

Rudolph; father-in-law, Glen Warren; and one brother-in-law, Pete Baldwin.

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Mr. Jesse James Smith, age 85, of Elba, Ala., died Wednesday, April 30, 2008, at Elba

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## General Hospital.

Funeral services were held May 3, 2008 from the Chapel of Hayes Funeral Home in Elba with Rev. Mart Gray officiating. Burial followed in the Evergreen Cemetery, Elba, with Hayes Funeral Home directing. In lieu of flowers contributions may be made to Covenant Community Church.

Mr. Smith was preceded in death by his mother, Melbie Mae (McCollough) Smith; father, Jessie Samson Smith; and daughter, Miral Smith.

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# LIFESTYLES

## Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bullard honored with 50th Wedding Anniversary celebration



Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bullard

William J. Bullard (Bill) and Annie Will (Anne) Bell were united as Mr. & Mrs. William J. Bullard on April 5, 1958, at New Hope Baptist Church with Rev. C. E. Rentz, Bill's pastor from Westside Baptist Church in Elba officiating. Anne Bell, Anne's sister-in-law, served as matron of honor and was present for the celebration of their fiftieth anniversary. Fred Roberts served as Bill's best man.

It was this special day which called for a celebration. The congregation of Whitewater Baptist Church, Hwy 125, Elba, and family members of Bill and Anne honored them with a surprise celebration on March 30, 2008.

Flowers were placed on the communion table in their honor by Lisa Bouwelle (niece) and Lee, Shelia Hornsby (niece) and family. Shelia Hornsby (niece), and Stacey Hornsby Brannen (niece) and family. The table was draped with a white battenberg cloth with a gold lame runner. A gold framed picture of the honorees on their wedding day and a gold framed picture of their beloved son Andy (deceased 1994) flanked the large arrangement of flowers. A vase candle stick stood by Andy's picture and the candle burned in his memory.

A special note from members of the Bullard family was printed in the church bulletin as a tribute to them on this occasion. It read:

"Their fifty years together have been special years—of sharing and of laughter, of happiness and tears.

They've loved and helped each other.

"Through whatever's come their way.

And they're more in love than ever.

"On this very special day," Anne and Bill were recognized in the worship service by the congregation's singing "Happy Anniversary." Then their Sunday school teacher presented them with an engraved tray from the members of their class.

Following the worship service, the honorees and their special guests were invited to an old-fashioned Sunday lunch in the fellowship hall. The youth, under the leadership of Paula and Robert Bowden and Jan Smith, prepared and served the lunch of fried chicken, chicken dressing and dumplings and rice, butter beans, corn bread, green salad, iced tea, coffee, and a variety of desserts.

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Miss Sally Sievers, bride-elect of Mr. Bradley Bane, surrounded by family and friends.

## Miss Sally Sievers, bride-elect of Mr. Bradley Bane honored with miscellaneous bridal shower

The lovely home of Mrs. Ceina Spicer was the setting for a miscellaneous bridal shower honoring Miss Sally Sievers, bride-elect of Mr. Bradley Bane, on Sunday afternoon, April 27, 2008. Before entering the Spicer home, guests stopped at the front walkway to sign the bride's book. Miss Sarah Frances Bane, sister of the future groom, presided over the registry table which was covered with a white Battenberg lace cloth and held a low crystal cube vase filled with daisies. Beautiful birdcage hurricane lanterns draped in sheer turquoise and gold ribbon lined the walkway between the registry table and the front door where guests were greeted by Mrs. Spicer. Guests were then presented to Miss Sievers, the honoree. Mrs. Kimberly Bane, mother of the future groom; Mrs. Beth Sievers, mother of the honoree; Mrs. Frances Bradshaw, maternal grandmother of the future groom; and Mrs. Patsy Bane, paternal grandmother of the future groom. Guests were directed to the dining room where dairy party refreshments were served from a table covered with a beautiful corn Battenberg lace cloth and featuring crystal appointments. The table was centered with an elegant arrangement of pale yellow tulips radiating from a tall vase. Napkins in turquoise and

chocolate brown, the bride's wedding colors, added a personal touch to the table. After enjoying refreshments, the guests visited and viewed the wide assortment of gifts displayed throughout the lovely home.

Hostesses for the occasion were Janice Allen, Stacia Amerson, Lynn Baker, Katrina Calhoun, Cindy Curnley, Lynn Corder, Mary Donaldson, Sharon Gibbs, Henrietta Grimes, Sherry Harrison, Shirley Henderson, Vicki Johnson, Betty Lawford, Marie Lindsey, Doris Malloy, Elaine Martin, Janice McCalli, Valerie McGuire, Gwen Mullinax, Sasha O'Neal, Joyce Purvis, Karen Sheehy, Jan Smith, Ceina Spicer, Vicki Stinson, Sara Strong, Sandra Sullivan, Lynn Weeks, Joni White, and Kaye Whitworth.

## Prater-Collins wedding planned for Saturday, May 17th

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Gaston Prater request the honour of your presence at the marriage of their daughter Allyson Rayne to Mr. Brett Collins on Saturday, May 17, 2008 at half past five o'clock in the afternoon, at Sweet Gum Bottom 27761 Straughn School Road, Andalusia, Alabama. A reception will follow the ceremony.

Deadline for registration "Bucks For Books" is May 9th

The deadline for registration "Bucks For Books" summer reading program, sponsored by the Human Resource Development Corporation is May 9, 2008 at 4:30 p.m. Interested citizens may contact the HRDC office at (334) 347-0881 or (334) 897-2667



Carrie Ann Hudson and Walter Lee King

## Hudson-King wedding to be held June 7th

Charles and Carolyn Wilcox and James and Sue Jernigan of Opp announced the engagement of Carrie Ann Hudson to Walter Lee King of Andalusia, son of Norma King and Mark and Lynn King of Andalusia. The marriage will take place June 7, 2008 at 5 p.m. at Sweet Gum Bottom Bed and Breakfast.

Money raised from concessions will go to the sponsoring youth ministry. Concession will be closed during the ministry time. All are invited to attend.

*Mr. and Mrs. Robert Jerry Robinson request the honour of your presence at the marriage of their daughter Julie Elizabeth to Mr. Charles Wilson Rowell on Saturday, the tenth of May Two thousand and eight at eleven o'clock in the morning First Baptist Church Elba, Alabama Reception to follow at the Old South Inn*

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MacArthur Campus: 483-5360  
Luverne Site: 335-2187  
www.lbwcc.edu

## Miss EOCC Pageant set for Thursday, May 8th

In a fundraiser for Relay for Life to benefit the American Cancer Association, Enterprise-Ozark Community College's Enterprise Campus will host a Miss EOCC Pageant on Thursday, May 8th at 7:00 p.m. in Lueren Wallace Center's Multipurpose Room. For more information call (334) 347-2623, ext. 2339.

## Fun Day to be held on May 10th at Elba Zion Christian Community Center

Fun Day at the Elba Zion Christian Community Center, 740 Adams Street, Elba, Ala. will be held Saturday, May 10, 2008. Opening ceremony will be held at 10 a.m. with fun and games beginning at 10:45. Activities will include knights castle, full court press, football toss, and other games and activities. Food will be served at 12:30 p.m. and the day will conclude at 3:45. All are welcome to attend.

## Elba Public Library receives gift from Alabama Forest Owners' Association Educational Fund

The Elba Public Library is the recipient of the book: *Forests For All* by Melanie Richardson Dundy. *Forests For All* was donated by the Alabama Forest Owners' Association Educational Fund through a grant from the Alabama Forestry Foundation. In making its donation, the Alabama Forest Owners' Association wants to provide sound information about forests and forest management to the children (and future forest owners) in the book.

The coffee, which is intended for children from ages 4 to 10, is fun, interactive and full of good information. Children become aware of just how much the forests affect their everyday lives whether they live near a forest or not.

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# CHURCH NEWS

## PASTOR'S CORNER

### Rev. Billy Redd

### 1st Assembly of God

## Resolve to do better

As we look back a few months to the new year of 2008, we probably made resolutions that mostly dealt with physical or material things. Things such as health, working out, losing weight, or making more money. That was good to do, but, just as we need natural, physical disciplines in our life, we also need spiritual disciplines that will draw us closer to God. Have you ever thought to make resolutions to pray more, read your bible more, and to consistently attend church more? God's Word tells us within Hebrews 10:25 to not "forsake the assembling of ourselves together."

You see, just as we establish bad habits, we can train ourselves to establish and maintain good habits. One thing I have found that helps me is to learn to say, to confess, what God has already said within His Word about me or my circumstances. Then we will see good results over a period of time as we "resolve" to discipline our tongue. It takes a prolonged discipline to establish long-lasting good results. Just as the chastening mentioned in Hebrews 12:11 "afterwards yieldeth peaceable fruit" (good results), so does spiritual discipline. Even though discipline, or resolving to do better, may not bring immediate joy, it will produce great benefits in due time as we remain obedient to do what we know is good for us. Compare resolving to do or better with the decision to lose weight or diet - it takes time to accomplish your goal. Spiritual discipline also takes time to accomplish your goal, but it has eternal benefits! Starting this week, let us together resolve to read and study God's Word more, to pray and fellowship more with God, to attend our churches more and gather with others who worship the Lord. Together, let us resolve to learn to say what God has already said about us. Let us establish some good habits that truly do have eternal benefits. Also, know this, God still helps and HE can and will deliver us from any "bad" habits. God Bless!!

## Zoar Holiness Church to hold a community outreach service on Saturday, May 17th

Zoar Holiness Church will hold a community outreach service on Saturday, May 17th beginning at 5 p.m. at the Legion Field Pavilion in Elba. Special singing by The Boggs Family from Waynesville, Ohio. The marriage will take place June 7, 2008 at 5 p.m. at Sweet Gum Bottom Bed and Breakfast.

Money raised from concessions will go to the sponsoring youth ministry. Concession will be closed during the ministry time. All are invited to attend.

## A non-denominational crusade to be held at the Coffee County Farm Center May 12-17

A non-denominational crusade will be held at the Coffee County Farm Center in New Brockton, Ala. May 12-17, 2008. Sponsoring churches are First Assembly of God in Elba, Word of Faith Church in Brantley, Ala. and New Life Center Church in Brantley, Ga. Mike Jefferson from Kernersville, N.C. will be ministering at the event.

Concessions will be open Monday thru Saturday at 6 p.m. Youth Drama Team will begin at 6:30 p.m. Monday thru Friday. Praise and Worship will begin at 7 p.m. Monday thru Friday, and Ministry will begin at 7:30 p.m. Monday thru Friday. A women's conference will be held Saturday beginning at 9 a.m. and a youth exposition will be held Saturday night beginning at 7 p.m.

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## The Youth of the Elba United Methodist Church to present Lee Fortune in concert on May 10th

The youth of the Elba United Methodist Church will present Lee Fortune in concert on Saturday, May 10th at 6 p.m. Lee is a well known southern gospel singing artist. Admission is free, however, a love offering will be taken to help two Troy students go on their mission trip. A free supper will follow the concert. Everyone is invited to attend.

## Chestnut Grove United Methodist to host a gospel singing on May 17th

There will be a gospel singing at Chestnut Grove United Methodist Church on Saturday, May 17, 2008 beginning at 7 p.m. The featured singing group will be The Heartmen Quartet from Columbus Miss.

## Mt. Vernon Assembly of God announces "Jericho Crawl"

On Saturday, June 7, 2008, members of Mount Vernon Assembly of God will be participating in an all-day event in which they will be enjoying a time of fellowship and prayer for the city of Elba. The event will be centered around the Jericho Crawl, in which Joey Arnold, the church's Youth Pastor, will be crawling more than two complete times around the Elba levee, for a total of seven miles. Mr. Arnold will be joined by several members of the church who have pledged to walk that distance, and members of the church who have committed to attempt to crawl part of the distance. The event, originally scheduled to raise funds for foreign missions, has taken on a bit of a more local scope, since the church decided to center the event around the levee. Members of the community or surrounding churches interested in walking with Mount Vernon Assembly are encouraged to attend, and everyone is welcome.

## Homecoming will be observed May 18th at Mt. Zion Baptist Church

Mt. Zion Baptist Church will hold homecoming services on Sunday, May 18, 2008. Services will begin at 10 a.m. with special singing by Old Southern Gospel and Broken Strings. Preaching will begin at 11:15 a.m. with Rev. James Preachers. Lunch will be served following the service.

## United Lighthouse Church to hold gospel singing

United Lighthouse Church, located in the Pine Level Community, will hold a gospel singing on Saturday, May 17th beginning at 7 p.m. Featured will be The Gies Family from Ozark, Ala. and The Van Finger Family from Elba, Ala. For more information call 897-3483 or 897-8579. Everyone is invited to attend.

## Homecoming planned for Sunday, May 18th at United Lighthouse Church

Homecoming services will be held at United Lighthouse Church on Sunday, May 18th beginning at 11 a.m. The guest speaker will be Bro. Ray Layton. Lunch will be served. For more information call 897-3483 or 897-8579. Everyone is invited to attend.

## Church Directory

<b>HILLI COMMUNITY</b> Church School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 9:45 a.m. Even. Service: 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7:00 p.m.	<b>KINSTON BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Pastor Stewart Young Morn. Worship: 9:00 a.m. Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Even. Service: 5:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study: 7:00 p.m.	<b>MILBURN HERBERTS CHURCH OF CHRIST</b> R.H. Williams Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service: 7:00 p.m.
<b>EMORY OF GOD-KINSTON</b> my Bradshaw, Pastor Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship: 1:00 a.m. Even. Service: 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7:00 p.m.	<b>LIVING WORLD CHURCH</b> Pastor Raymond, Pastor Sunday Service: 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Youth Service: 6:00 p.m. Thurs. Service: 6:00 p.m.	<b>MT. VERNON</b> Pastor Mary Sue Even. Service: 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7:00 p.m.
<b>WINDSHIP HOLINESS</b> Ray Stinson, Pastor Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 1:00 a.m. Even. Service: 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7:00 p.m.	<b>LIBERTY CHURCH OF CHRIST</b> Greg Hanchey, Minister Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 5:00 p.m. Wed. Service: 7:00 p.m.	<b>NEW ALUNDAN</b> Hiron & Linda W. Wed. Ev. Serv.
<b>POWER HOUSE</b> Pastor Pastors - Bob Billy Pastor Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7:00 p.m.	<b>LOVE'S WAY CHURCH</b> Rev. Charles K. Jones, Pastor Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 5:00 p.m. Wed. Service: 7:00 p.m.	<b>NEW JEROME</b> KINCH (CHRIST) Church Morn. Youth Service Even. Youth Service Friday Evening Service
<b>WATER NEW ZION</b> Pastor Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7:00 p.m.	<b>LIGHTHOUSE EMMAUEL HOLINESS CHURCH</b> Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 5:00 p.m. Wed. Service: 7:00 p.m.	<b>NEW BRIMBAT</b> Rev. Wayne Sunday School Morn. Worship Even. Service Wed. Prayer Meeting
<b>W. S. TEMPLE CHURCH</b> W. S. Elliott, Pastor Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7:00 p.m.	<b>MT. CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH</b> J. R. Parks, Pastor Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 5:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study: 7:00 p.m.	<b>NEW BROCKTON</b> Rev. Ben McKee Sunday School Morn. Worship Even. Service Wed. Prayer Meeting
<b>UNITED METHODIST CHURCH</b> Stanley Carter, Pastor Worship: 8:45 a.m.	<b>MT. GILEAD BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Fred Fowler, Pastor Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 5:00 p.m. Wed. Service: 7:00 p.m.	<b>NEW CHAPEL</b> Rev. Elbert Sunday School Morn. Worship Even. Service Wed. Prayer Meeting
<b>HILL ASSEMBLY OF GOD</b> Timothy Ellis, Pastor Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7:00 p.m.	<b>MT. OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Richard B. Moss, Pastor Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 5:00 p.m. Wed. Service: 7:00 p.m.	<b>NEW EBERETZ</b> Huang Denny Sunday School Morn. Worship Even. Service Wed. Prayer Meeting
<b>PRINCE BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Pastor Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7:00 p.m.	<b>MT. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Larry Grimm-Pastor Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7:00 p.m.	<b>NEW GILGOL</b> Elder James Even. Service Wed. Prayer Meeting
<b>ASSEMBLY OF GOD</b> Wesley D. Aral, Pastor Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting: 6:30 p.m.	<b>MT. VERNON ASSEMBLY OF GOD</b> Sis. Pat Jones-Pastor Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 5:00 p.m.	<b>NEW GILGOL</b> Elder James Even. Service Wed. Prayer Meeting
<b>BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Gary Winstead, Pastor Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7:00 p.m.	<b>MT. VERNON ASSEMBLY OF GOD</b> Sis. Jones-Pastor Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 5:00 p.m.	<b>NEW HAVANA</b> Halls Sunday School Morn. Worship Even. Service Wed. Even. Service
<b>KIN ASSEMBLY OF GOD</b> Earl Marlar, Pastor Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 5:00 p.m. Prayer Service: 7:15 p.m.		

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## Student Spotlight



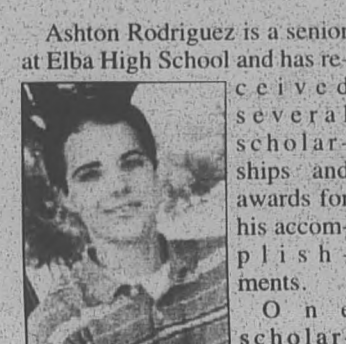
This week's Student Spotlight is **Meagan Ann Anderson**. She is the 18-year-old senior of Kim and Angie Anderson.

Meagan's hobbies include shopping, dancing, going to the beach, sleeping and hanging out with her friends. She is involved in the Elba High School Marching Tiger Band, where she is the dance line captain. She is also an EHS Ambassador and the reigning 2006 Miss Elba.

Meagan describes herself as "spontaneous." After graduation, she plans to attend Troy University, majoring in elementary education.

**Ashton Rodriguez** named recipient of several scholarships

by Tiffany Bynum



Ashton Rodriguez is a senior at Elba High School and has received several scholarships and awards for his accomplishments. One scholarship that Ashton received was the Presidential Scholarship from LBW, which awards him full tuition and books. He also received several scholarships from Troy, the Troy Leadership Scholarship (\$1,700), Troy Band Scholarship (\$2,000), and Troy Foundation Neil Nichols (\$1,000). Ashton also received a scholarship from the T. Craig Smith Foundation, (\$15,000) for four years to any college in Alabama.

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## Tiger Tales

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### Three receive scholarships from LBWCC

by Maisie Thomas and Karen Huckabaa

On March 20, Elba High School senior Kayla Miller Morrow received a letter from Lurleen B. Wallace Community College informing her that she was awarded the Kayla Miller Morrow Presidential Technical Scholarship.

Kayla's award is the amount of tuition and fees for nine credit hours per term. This scholarship is effective fall semester and is renewable for the actual length of her study.

Kayla is the daughter of Tracy and Brian Miller, and she is 19-years-old. She plans to major in nursing.

Kayla has chosen to attend Lurleen B. Wallace Community College.

On March 20, Elba High School senior Tina Denise Reed

received a letter from Lurleen B. Wallace Community College informing her that she was awarded the Tina Denise Reed Presidential Technical Scholarship.

Tina's award is the amount of tuition and fees for nine credit hours per term. This scholarship is effective fall semester and is renewable for the actual length of her study.

Tina is the daughter of Mack and Emma Reed, and she is 18-years-old. She plans to major in nursing.

Tina has chosen to attend Lurleen B. Wallace Community College.

On Thursday, May 1, all students with all A's for the third nine weeks were called to the cafeteria for the A-Club breakfast.

The A-Club consists of students who have all A's during each nine weeks. Overall the A-Club has had more than 60 students with all A's.

The A-Club members were

presented an A-Club card to go to breakfast on some days. Mr. Killingsworth, Mr. Casey, and Mr. Weeks attended the breakfast and congratulated all

the A-Club members for their achievement.

The breakfast was donated by Kelley Foods and Skills USA.

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### Tree planted in memory of John Jared

by Erica Daniels

On Friday, May 2, the Elba High School seniors were dismissed from class at 9 a.m. to go to the back of the commons area to participate in a tree planting ceremony.

The ceremony was held in memory of classmate John Jared. Senior class president Brittany Phillips read the commemorative speech from the Class of 2008.

### Announcements:

• 2008 Yearbooks are on sale for \$50 for the next 2 weeks. Contact the journalism staff at EHS for more information (897-2266).

• Elba Hoodies and T-shirts are available. Long-sleeve T-shirts are \$12 and \$13 and Hoodies are \$20, \$21, and \$22. Contact the journalism staff. (897-2266).

### Upcoming Events

May 5-9: T-shirt design contest for Foggy Bottom BBQ Bash sponsored by Elba Chamber of Commerce (to be held in Nov.)

May 9: Mother/Son Breakfast & Teacher Appreciation (Parental Involvement Luncheon)

May 13: 1st Grade Field Trip

Upcoming Golf Matches

May 12-13: State Tournament @ Muscle Shoals

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by Ashton Rodriguez and Karen Huckabaa

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## Voter registration deadline set for Friday, May 23rd

Please note that Friday, May 23, at 4:30 p.m. is the deadline for registering to vote in time for the June 3rd Primary Election. The Board of Registrars' office is located in the Coffee County Complex, Highway 84W, New Brockton, Ala. Requirements to register to vote are:

Person must be 18 years of age and a United States citizen; and  
 Person must live at the address provided on the application to register; and  
 Person must not be barred from voting by reason of felony conviction; and  
 Person must not have been adjudged "mentally incompetent" in a court of law.  
 Voters who want to update their voting information to reflect a change in name or address should contact the Board of Registrars. The telephone number for the Board of Registrars is 894-5347.

## Vote for James E. (Jimmy) Bryan Coffee County Commissioner District 1

May 5, 2008  
 Dear friends and neighbors:

Any candidate for public office needs to let the people know his or her position on various issues. The following are some of my thoughts in regard to some of the special groups we have in our communities.

- Senior Citizens:** Senior citizens have provided the foundation that makes this country what it is today. In the past they worked hard to provide for their families. They are the leaders who worked for the programs and improved lives that we enjoy today. They also have the wisdom needed to help solve many of the problems facing our country today. Senior citizens are special people and I will work for this group as did the previous administration. To this group I pledge my support and hope one day I will be able to join their ranks.
- Disabled and Handicapped:** Out of all of our special groups, these are the very special. I will not only support programs designed to make their lives more comfortable but also programs that help them be productive and programs designed to ensure that they stay in the mainstream of society. Their citizenship is strong and they deserve the support and respect they have earned.
- Children and Students:** It is our obligation to provide every child an opportunity to acquire an education. Our school systems have a challenge maintaining the pace with the educational demands of today. They need our support in their efforts. I will be supportive of them and commend them for their effort.
- County Employees:** County government is a service organization for the citizens of Coffee County. Our county officials and employees are the persons who actually provide the services. It is the clerks, equipment operators, janitors, maintenance men, mappers, and to many more to list, that make it possible for us to have the services that we do. We must provide these people with the tools and support necessary to provide these services. We must be supportive of this group to ensure we have capable people in these positions.
- Law Enforcement Personnel:** Criminal activity affects us all and whether a public official or a private citizen, we must all do all that we can to support those who work daily to reduce criminal activity. I will be supportive of our law enforcement agencies.
- Working Class Tax-Paying Citizens:** As a local businessman I know only too well from where tax dollars come. The tax-paying citizen deserves a commission that will make the best use of his or her tax dollars. I will use both my education (a BS degree from Troy), my years as a local business owner and operator, and the experience gained from serving on the commission in the past to help ensure that our tax dollars are put to the best possible use. Public officials are responsible and accountable for tax dollars. Any decisions I make will be based on my sincere belief in this responsibility and accountability.

In conclusion, let me say that these are only six special groups but we have many more that deserve special attention. As commissioner in District One, I will make myself available to the people of Coffee County. My phone numbers, both at home and at my place of business, will be published. Any request will be addressed. I will base my decisions on the facts available and on using a common sense approach to finding a solution. Once I have made a decision, I will voice it in a manner that all can understand. I will work cooperatively with all branches of government and my goal will be to provide fair and honest service to the people of District One and Coffee County.

Sincerely,  
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10 teams participated in this year's Elba Rotary Club Golf Scramble held Friday, April 25, at the Elba Country Club. The participants helped the local club raise over \$4,000.

## Second annual Rotary Golf Scramble a big success

The Elba Rotary Club held its Second Annual Golf Scramble Friday, April 25, at the Elba Country Club.

Ten teams participated in the four-person scramble format and a great time was had by all.

This year's Title Sponsor of the event was Tim Whitehead Dodge/Jeep/Chrysler from Enterprise and the grand prize for a hole-in-one was a 2008 Jeep Wrangler. Unfortunately no one cashed in on the Jeep, although there were a couple of close attempts.

The winning team, representing Dorsey Trailer, with a score of 54 (18 under par), was Trey Gary, Hank Gary, Jim Robinson and Bobby Bradley.

The event raised over \$4,000 for the Rotary Club, which will be used for various community service projects in which the club is engaged, including annual scholarships for graduating seniors of Elba High School, "Coats for Kids", and contributions to the Rotary Foundation in the fight to eradicate the world of polio.

The Rotary Club is very thankful for all those who participated and the many local sponsors that made the event a great success.



This golfer prepares his swing in an attempt to win the 2008 Jeep Wrangler in the background during the Elba Rotary Club Golf Scramble. Participants had a chance to win this grand prize during the event with a hole-in-one; however, no one was able to drive the vehicle home. Reportedly, though, there were a few close calls. The grand prize was made available by the event's title sponsor, Tim Whitehead Dodge/Jeep/Chrysler from Enterprise.



BETTE HAM WAS HONORED BY THE NATIONAL SECURITY GROUP'S SHAREHOLDERS at their 62nd annual meeting held Thursday, May 1, at the National Security Conference Center in Elba. National Security's Chief Operations Officer Mickey Munkel presented Mrs. Ham with a resolution adopted by the shareholders honoring her for 60 years of service to the company. Mrs. Ham began her career with National Security in 1947, shortly after the company was founded. She retired from full time employment in 1994, but has continued to serve as corporate secretary for the Group.

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# COMMUNITY NEWS

## Deadline for absentee voting is Thursday, May 29th

Absentee ballots are available at the Absentee Election Manager's office (32 County Complex, New Brockton, Alabama) for the June 3rd Primary. Any qualified elector may vote by mail or in person at the Absentee Election Manager's office if he/she makes application in writing not less than five days prior to the election and meets one of the following requirements:

The voter will be out of the county or state on Election Day. The voter has any physical illness or infirmity which prevents his/her attendance at the polls, whether he/she is within or without the county on the day of the election. The voter works a shift which has at least 10 hours which coincide with the hours the polls are open at his/her regular polling place.

The voter is enrolled as a student at an educational institution located outside the county of his/her personal residence, which prevents his/her presence at the polls. The voter is a member of or spouse or dependent of a member of the armed forces of the United States or is similarly qualified to vote absentee pursuant to the Federal Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act, 42 U.S.C. 1973 ff.

The voter has been appointed as an election officer or named as a poll watcher at a polling place other than his/her regular polling place. An applicant for an absentee ballot who is a member of the Armed Forces of the United States, including the Alabama National Guard, the United States Naval Reserve, the United States Air Force Reserve, and the United States Army Reserve on active duty, or active duty training, or an applicant who is the spouse of any member of the Armed Forces or any other applicant qualified to vote absentee pursuant to the Federal Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act, 42 U.S.C. 1973 ff.

Any registered voter whose name appears on the poll list of qualified voters may vote by an emergency absentee ballot if he/she is required by his/her employer under unforeseen circumstances to be out of the county on an emergency business trip on Election Day. Under such circumstances, the applicant shall apply for an emergency absentee ballot at the office of the absentee manager no later than the close of the business day one day prior to the election. The applicant shall complete and file an application form designed by the Secretary of State for emergency absentee voters. The form shall contain an affidavit which the applicant will sign and swear acknowledging the he/she was not aware of the out-of-county business requirement prior to five days before the election. An applicant who meets the requirements of this subsection may vote by an emergency absentee ballot. After voting the ballot, the voter shall hand the ballot to the absentee election manager.

Completed absentee applications must provide the Alabama

residence where the voter is registered to vote, even if the ballot is to be mailed to another address where the applicant/voter regularly receives mail. If the voter/applc has moved and has not updated their polling place, they should contact the Coffee County Board of Registrars to update their address prior to applying for an absentee ballot. The address is 42 County Complex, New Brockton, Ala. 36351 - telephone 334-894-5347.

The deadline to apply for an absentee ballot is 5:00 p.m., Thursday, May 29, 2008. Applications for absentee voting are available at the absentee election manager's office, the Probate Offices in the Elba and Enterprise courthouses, and the Secretary of State's web page, (<http://www.sos.state.al.us>). Any complete application must be returned by the voter in person or be sent by the US Mail. Multiple applications cannot be mailed in the same envelope (Attorney General Opinion number 82-00551).

The Absentee Election Manager shall forward absentee ballots by US Mail to the applicant's residence address or upon written request of the voter, to the address where the voter regularly receives mail; or by handing the ballot to the voter in person or, in the case of medical emergency voting, to his/her designee in person.

Office hours for absentee voting at the Coffee County Absentee Election Manager's office are: Monday - Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m., closed on Federal and State Holidays.



COPIES OF AN ORIGINAL OIL PAINTED PRINT OF ELBA'S OLD CROOKED BRIDGE are available at Wachovia Bank as part of their Relay for Life fundraiser. The original oil prints were painted by cancer survivor Betty Hudson. Betty has donated a limited number of prints for this fundraiser. Prints of the Old Crooked Bridge may be purchased by seeing any employee at Wachovia Bank in Elba.

## ARC Blood Drive to be held May 22 at Elba Elementary School

The American Red Cross is currently in need of volunteer blood donors with all blood types, particularly those with Type O Positive or Type O Negative, due to the continuing critical need. The American Red Cross is urging all eligible donors to give at blood drives and donor centers over the next several weeks as a way of keeping the blood supply at a safe and stable level.

The American Red Cross will be hosting many public drives over the coming weeks in an effort to bolster the blood supply for the coming months. The Blood Mobile will be in Elba on May 22, from 1 p.m. until 6 p.m. It will be located at the Elba Elementary School.

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# COMMUNITY NEWS

**Happy Mother's Day** Sunday, May 11th!



The building above is 105 years old. It is the County Seat of Coffee County (we usually say the Elba Courthouse) and to me it is a beautiful building, well preserved, and I would like to help keep it this way.

The Courthouse is located in District 3, and as Commissioner for this district I have had the opportunity to help restore the foundation, keep up the building, have a new roof put on, renovate the restrooms, and last year to restore the striking of the town clock.

One has to climb a ladder in the tower to reach the clock and most people do not realize that there is an old-time bell in the Courthouse Tower, probably as old as the Courthouse itself. A hammer strikes this bell to cause the chimes one hears when it strikes the hour. It took years to find someone who would (or could) work on this type of clock but when we did we discovered that over the many years of the hammer hitting the bell, the hammer had worn a hole completely through the bell and this had to be fixed before it would strike again.

It is nice to go to town at 11 or 12 o'clock and listen when the clock strikes the full amount of times to signify the hour. This brings back memories of keeping time at school by listening for the town clock to strike!

The City governing body has been very good in helping with the courthouse square and I would like to thank them for their excellent cooperation. In their plans for the revitalization of downtown, the City will install all of our electrical wiring underground and we have the money in the County budget already approved to place old-time lighting around the square.

A vote for me, Robert G. Stephens, for Commissioner of District 3 will be appreciated. I will always strive to preserve our heritage.

(Pd Pol Adv. by Robert Stephens 588 E. Davis St. Elba, AL 36323)

## Elba General Hospital honored for commitment to quality improvement

AQAF, the Medicare Quality Improvement Organization for Alabama, has recognized Elba General Hospital for its participation in a three-year statewide quality improvement and patient safety project since 2005. The award was presented by Keith Granger (right), chairman of AQAF, the Medicare Quality Improvement Organization for Alabama. Elba General was one of 29 Alabama hospitals to take part in the campaign to transform the health care delivery system for Alabama's Medicare beneficiaries. The hospitals worked intensively with AQAF to build safer systems and to accelerate clinical excellence in three areas: improved treatment of heart attacks; congestive heart failure and pneumonia; prevention of surgical infection; and health information technology.

As a result of the 29 hospitals' three-year effort, to date 6,236 lives have been saved as a result of patients receiving the appropriate care for which they were eligible, and 2,115 lives have been saved as a result of antibiotics being properly administered to patients before and after surgery.

For more information visit [www.aqaf.com](http://www.aqaf.com) or <http://www.aqaf.com>.



Mary Gray (left) accepts the award on behalf of Elba General Hospital for its participation in a three-year statewide quality improvement and patient safety project since 2005. The award was presented by Keith Granger (right), chairman of AQAF, the Medicare Quality Improvement Organization for Alabama. Elba General was one of 29 Alabama hospitals to take part in this campaign.



### A LETTER TO MOM

#### IN MEMORY OF ERIE M. CROOK

Dear Momma,

This is your son, Boots. We've been without you now for seven months and 4 days. I'll never forget that early Sunday afternoon when I went to check on you and you had left us. Sunday mornings and early afternoons, and even Saturday nights, have been a sad time for me, bringing back vivid memories of the worst day of my life. Having taken care of you for most of the last ten years before you left us, my purpose in life left me that day. The void without you is almost unbearable. The void often brings tears to my eyes, as it is right now. Finding any meaningful activity that satisfies that void has been almost impossible. Contributing to the well being of my family, as you did, and as I know you would have wanted me to do, is the best I can do. But it somehow still falls far short of the meaning that taking care of you brought to my life.

Doctors told me the last several years of your life that you didn't know who I was, but the last two days of your life you kept your eyes open, when you had kept them closed almost continuously for months. I believe deeply in my heart that, even if you couldn't speak anymore, you knew that I was someone who loved you and cared for you deeply, and that you felt the same for me, and that you knew you would be leaving me soon. We both knew we had a Mother-son bond like no other.

Besides being my Mother, you were my best friend. For many, many years, you and the house on the hill in Elba were my refuge from the seemingly relentless struggles and hardships of everyday life. You provided a safe haven for me to recover from the some of the most difficult times of my life. I always knew you loved me, even if nobody else in the world did. You told me you forgave me for all my wrongdoings I inflicted on you until you could no longer speak. If I didn't get to the house until 2 or 3 am, you still woke up with all the zest and energy of anybody I've ever known and prepared a full, delicious meal for me. Being without you on the hill during the springtime has been very hard, since it was our favorite time of year. We always loved hearing the birds singing in the warmer weather, not to mention the beautifully blooming azaleas and dogwood trees. And, of course, one of our favorites was the sweet smell of the honeysuckles every year. We knew we should smell them soon, because they wouldn't be there later. I've realized that the same thing is true of life. You better take the good that's here in life now (loving those around you, as you taught me to do), because it won't be long before your chance will be gone forever.

For the first time in my life, I will be going through all these things without you. Now I know what someone meant when they said, "The most precious things in life are free." And I certainly understand what Dorothy meant in the Wizard of Oz when she clicked the heels of her shoes three times and said, "There's no place like home, there's no place like home, there's no place like home." Now I truly understand what having a purpose in life means.

Our family has been through many "first times" already without you. Your birthday on Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, New Years Day and Easter have all passed without the beauty of your wonderful spirit amongst us, and now one of the most difficult, Mother's Day, will be coming. The first day I saw the "Mother's Day" card section in a store I stood there and cried and hoped no one saw me. It will be the first Mother's Day that any of your children, grandchildren or great-grandchildren will have ever experienced without you being with us. It will be a very, very sad day for all of us. I will be thinking of what a wonderful person you were, how much you loved your family, and the way that helping others made you so very, very happy.

When I tell people you are the most kind and gentle person I have ever known, they think I am just saying that just because you are my Mom. Only those that knew you best know that I'm saying it because it's actually true. I've never met anyone on earth who was happier to do things for other people than you were. You easily and naturally spread love and good cheer wherever you were. You loved your students, and they loved you. I know that you would have given your last penny to a stranger, and that all he had to do was to ask for it.

When I look at videos from your younger days, I can only think of how I wished I had told you "I Love You" more, hugged you more and told you how much I appreciate you more. I will end by saying the same thing I say to you every night, even after your passing. "Thank you for everything you have done for me. I'm sorry for everything I have ever done that hurt you. Thank you for sticking with me, staying with me, and always being there for me. Thank you for making a home for me and always being there for me. Because of you I always had a home to go to, and you were always there for me. Thank you, Momma, I Miss You, Momma. I Love You, Momma. You'll forever be in my heart. I'll never forget you. I'll always love you, Your loving son, Boots

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During Coffee County Commission meeting

## County extension office recognizes two commissioners for their service

by Linda Hodge, Editor

The Coffee County Commission meeting held Monday, May 12, opened with a special presentation from the county extension office.

Stan Windham, director of the Coffee County Extension Office, was recognized by Commission Chairman Tom Grimley to make the presentation.

Windham said he thinks everyone knows how important the county commission is to a county.

"I've had the privilege of working with commissions for 28 years," Windham said. "It's sad to me when you have people retiring, especially out of this group."

With commissioners Linda Westbrook and Doug Dalrymple not planning to seek re-election to the Coffee County

Commission this year, Windham said his office wanted to give them something to say "thank you" for their time and service. With that said, he presented Westbrook and Dalrymple each with a plaque from the county extension office and offered his heartfelt thanks to them for all they've done while serving the county as commissioner.

Shortly after Windham made his presentation to Westbrook and Dalrymple, commissioners listened as another long-time public servant announced his retirement.

Robert Lotley, director of the county's Veterans Affairs office, said he was asked to address the commissioners Monday morning so he could personally thank the Coffee County Commission for its support of nearly 24 years.

Lotley said this has been

long time coming. He said he will be retiring at the end of this month, and he wanted to attend Monday's meeting so simply say, "thank you."

Lotley also announced that Susan Ziglar from the Dothan office of Veterans Affairs will be his temporary replacement, but, hopefully, a full-time replacement will be in place by August.

At the conclusion of Lotley's address, Commissioner Robert Stephens made a motion with a second from Commissioner J.L. Weeks to present Lotley with a proclamation at the next meeting from the Coffee County Commission recognizing his years of service. This motion passed unanimously.

The meeting took a confusing turn as Commissioners began discussing and voting on motions made in regards to assisting the City of Enterprise with its farmers market.

Commissioner Bernest Brooks said the mayor of Enterprise was at the last work session and asked for the county's participation with funds for the farmers market.

He offered a motion with second from Commissioner Grimley to render support to Enterprise by offering a feasible amount of funds (after taking a look at the budget) to help Enterprise with the farmers market.

Commissioner Dalrymple said he does not believe \$200,000 is a small amount of money to pay out to help, especially considering the county

Stan Windham (left), director of the county extension office, presented plaques to commissioners Doug Dalrymple and Linda Westbrook during Monday's Coffee County Commission meeting thanking them for their service. The two commissioners are not seeking re-election to the commission.

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## Several employments approved during County BOE meeting

by Linda Hodge, Editor

Following the annual awards ceremony Tuesday evening, May 12, hosted by the Coffee County Board of Education to recognize the achievements of students from Kingston, New

Brookton and Zion Chapel schools, board members gathered for a short meeting.

One of the main reasons for the board meeting was to decide whether personnel matters presented by Superintendent Dr. Linda Ingram.

Personnel actions recommended by the superintendent and approved by board members included:

• Accepted the resignation of Rick Walker - Spanish teacher

at New Brookton High School, effective May 31, 2008.

• Accepted the resignation of Lougenne Wyroslick - volleyball coach at New Brookton High School, effective May 31, 2008.

• Approved the employment of Brad Barton - secondary math teacher at Zion Chapel School.

• Approved the employment of Kelly Pouncey - elementary teacher at Zion Chapel School.

• Approved the employment of Karie Striplin - volleyball coach at New Brookton High School.

• Approved the employment of Gid Zorn - girls head bas-

ketball coach at New Brookton High School.

The Elba City Council got good news Monday evening, May 12, when the annual report on the sewer system and 38-year-old lagoon was presented.

A review of the report by consulting engineers at Peters Municipal Associates Inc. indicated the effluent discharge was within limits set by the permit.

While no deficiencies or deviations were noted during this reporting period, Elba only

scored 63 on the report. This was due largely to the age of the lagoon system that results in a one-point reduction for each year of age on the lagoon.

Another 25 points was assessed for a high BOD measurement at the plant's influent (intake). The engineer noted this could have been a result of untimely testing as well as individual incidents. The lagoon loading is averaging 63.7% of capacity.

The report indicates some increase in flows, but is still below permitted capacity. However, it is recommended the system be monitored for potential future flow increases.

The council agreed to a

South Alabama Mutual Aid Compact Agreement, coordinated by the Coffee County Emergency Management Agency (EMA). This sets up a central contact point for assistance during times of natural disaster or Homeland Security issues. The cover letter from John Tallas, director of the Coffee County EMA, indicated this would eliminate many of the problems experienced after the Enterprise tornado when some assisting units did not have mutual aid agreements with Enterprise and thus caused FEMA reimbursement problems.

Danny Jordan was appointed to the Coffee County E911 Board, replacing the late David

Bandstra.

The council tabled action on a proposal to swap 47 acres of city owned land off the Samson Highway for four acres adjoining the Legion Field recreation park on Troy Highway. The swap with Roland Powell would have netted the city land that Mayor James Grimes said is needed for recreation park expansion plus \$35,000 cash.

The 47 acres off the Samson Highway adjacent to Powell's property and Elba has no direct highway access to the land. The deal offered by Powell countered an earlier offer by the City. The first offer valued the 47 acres at \$2,000 per acre and Powell's offer valued the undeveloped, former landfill acreage at roughly \$1,500 per acre.

Monthly bills totaling \$107,688.64 were approved for payment.

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Grantham also announced that mosquito spraying was slated to begin that evening (Monday).

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will be held Saturday, May 17, at Elba High School auditorium. Applications can be received from any Greater Elba member.

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Elba High School Honors Day for grades 7-11 will be Thursday, May 22, at 1:30 p.m. in the auditorium.

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## Elba school officials provide detailed review of local funds

by Ferrin Cox, Publisher

Last Friday Elba School Superintendent Danny Weeks and Financial Officer Lisa Rials responded to a request from The Elba Clipper and gave a detailed review of the local school's audited financial statements and an overview of the amounts and how local school taxes are used.

The annual audit revealed the school to be a major contributor to the local economy with a budget exceeding eight million dollars. Weeks stated that 85% of the overall budget is used for salaries.

The largest portion of this budget comes from the state education budget. It pays salaries and benefits of most of the teachers, based on a formula tied to the average daily attendance. These funds are largely earmarked and must be used for the purpose designated by the state.

Local funds include local property taxes imposed by the voters either for general purposes or for specific purposes, such as bond issue repayment, etc. Also included in local funds is Elba sales taxes, alcohol beverage taxes, and the \$5.00 check off on Elba utility bills. Local gasoline taxes supply \$2,000 a month to the schools.

The volunteer \$5 check off was started several years ago when the education budget statewide was in proration and the local schools were in dire need of operating funds. That monthly check off amount has continued to drop after the gasoline tax was imposed and as the years passed to about \$1400 per month now.

The Elba alcohol beverage tax total \$61,539 in the past fiscal year that ended September 30, 2007 while city sales

taxes are usually around \$150,000 annually.

There are also county sales taxes that are classified as "local funds." Accounting records show that the \$1.7 million local funds (this includes capital outlay monies) are used for utilities (\$250,000 a year for electricity alone), teachers and support staff, auditing, insurance, etc.

Last year the General Fund, where these local funds are channeled, paid five high school teachers at about \$280,000; one elementary teacher at \$65,000; two elementary instructional aides at \$80,000; half an assistant principal not funded by state \$35,000; 226 administrators, not state funded, \$200,000; six support staff, \$260,000; one Psychometrist on contract

services, \$21,000; instructional supplements not state funds \$30,000.

Four of the locally funded teacher units (7 total in Elba) are in the Career Tech field, which includes auto mechanics, welding, agriculture, business education (2), family consumer science and the student co-op program.

According to Alabama law locally funded teachers must be paid the same salaries and benefits as those who are state funds teacher units.

In addition to salaries, these local funds are used for general operating expenses such as the electricity, telephone (\$2,000 a month), water (\$3,600 a year), insurance (\$40,000 a year and financial auditing services (\$20,000 a year).

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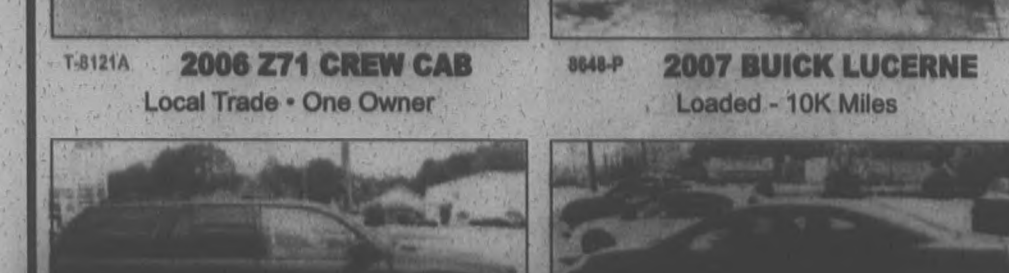
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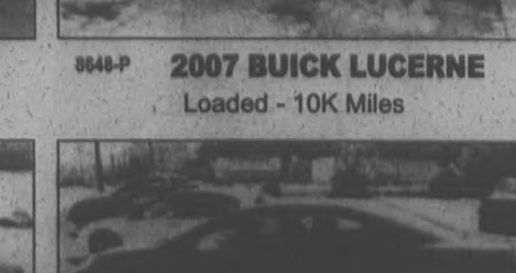
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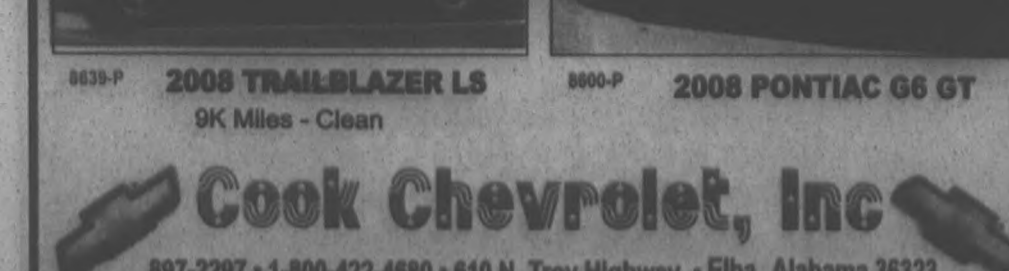
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